

MILITARY TERMS AMENDED SO AS NOT TO DELAY RETURN OF YANKS

British Proposals For International Air Code Accepted; Each Nation Retains Sovereignty Over Air Above It; Three Amendments To League Plan Submitted; Acquith May Head League; Treaty Ready In 2 Weeks.

PARIS, France, March 18.—By the Associated Press.—The military terms of the treaty of peace have been amended by the elimination of the clause providing for the control of Germany's armament for an indefinite period. Admiral W. R. Benson, of the United States navy, pointed out that the original terms committed the United States to a virtually indefinite occupation of Germany and it was, chiefly on his insistence, that the terms were modified. American delegates also pointed out that control of any portion of Germany for such a period would delay the return home of American troops and would amount to annulling the sovereignty of Germany.

As amended, the terms provide for control through the time fixed for the delivery of materials of war, provisions and ships, but not through the period during which war damages would be paid by Germany.

The committee appointed to consider plans for an international air code, announced Tuesday that the British proposals had been in the main accepted.

An international council will be formed as a section of the league of nations to handle all matters relative to aerial navigation.

Will Be No Discrimination. It has been decided that each nation is entitled to sovereignty over the air above it. There is to be no discrimination against any nation by another, air pilots would be licensed on an international basis and there will be international rules governing the right of way for airplanes and airships.

The commission on international waterways, ports and railroads of the peace conference decided Tuesday to recommend to the conference that Switzerland should be given the navigation facilities on the Rhine, for which she has made demands.

Inclusion by the league of nations covenant in the preliminary peace treaty will not delay the signing of the treaty, which it is hoped will be accomplished within two weeks, said Lord Robert Cecil, of Great Britain, talking to British and American newspaper correspondents last night. He said that three amendments to the covenant had been submitted, but added he was "sure there would be no difficulty in meeting all legitimate objections."

Discussing the Monroe doctrine and the effect of the league of nations upon it, Lord Robert said:

"The Monroe doctrine is strengthened by the league of nations covenant because of the international action will be carried out by the organs of the league. The United States will be represented on each body and since these bodies are taken without the consent of all, no action can be taken by the league which is opposed by the United States government until such action should be against the United States itself and that would not affect the Monroe doctrine."

Records Doctrine Dismissed. "If, on the other hand, the view is

that there ought to be a complete and watertight division between the American continent and the rest of the world, then, no doubt, any action in which America takes part would be an infringement of the Monroe doctrine. For my part, I should regard any such doctrine as disastrous to the future of the world. The war left the United States in a position of enormous power. With that power goes great responsibility to the world at large and to herself. The peace of the world is not only a European, but an American interest. America cannot afford to say that she has no interest in what goes on in Europe. If she did, she would be false to the world at large and to herself."

Conference Satisfactory. Announcement was made at the close of a conference Tuesday between President Wilson, David Lloyd George, the British prime minister, and M. Clemenceau, the French premier, that no final decision had been taken, but that all the main questions surrounding the peace conference had been discussed, that the meeting had been entirely satisfactory, and that there had been no change in the plans previously announced, which contemplate the completion of the peace treaty within the next two weeks, including the league of nations.

Acquith May Head League. London, Eng., March 18.—There is a strong feeling in political and diplomatic circles in Paris in favor of inviting Herbert H. Asquith, former British premier, to become the first president of the league of nations, according to the Daily Mirror.

SPECIAL FORTIFICATIONS OF PARIS TO BE REMOVED. Paris, France, March 18.—(Havas)—The chamber of deputies Tuesday authorized the removal of special fortifications about Paris which were erected shortly after the war began.

There are three rings of permanent fortifications about the city of Paris: first, a solid wall of masonry 22 miles in circumference around the old section of the city; second, a system of 17 detached forts, arranged at intervals of two miles beyond the wall and making a circuit of the city 24 miles in extent; and third, an outer circle of forts, 75 miles in length, on the heights commanding the valley of the Seine. In August, 1914, special fortifications were erected, bulldozers demolished, trees which otherwise obstructed the view about the city and terrain, were cut down. It is probable that it is this system of fortifications which is to be dismantled.

MAY SUBMIT TRUE COPY OF DISCHARGE TO GET BONUS. Washington, D. C., March 18.—Negotiations governing the payment of \$250 bonus to honorably discharged soldiers were amended by the war department to permit the acceptance by disbursing officials of a "true copy" of the discharge certificate, if that many soldiers refused to part with the original certificate, preferring to lose the bonus rather than risk the loss of official evidence of their honorable release.

All copies submitted under the amendment must be certified by the army recruiting officer nearest the soldier's residence.

THREE VESSELS LAND TROOPS AT NEW YORK. New York, March 18.—The cruiser Charleston arrived from Brest today with 1271 troops, including the 14th and 147th aero squadrons and casualty companies of eastern troops.

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Col. Stevenson Returns To U.S. From Overseas

El Paso Officer On Duty With A. E. F. Lands at Newport News, Va.

Lieut. Col. Herbert E. Stevenson, of El Paso, commanding the 111th ammunition train of the 16th division, landed in Newport News, Va., Wednesday morning, according to a telegram received by Mrs. Stevenson, Mrs. Clara Tepler, 1211 Brown street, also received a telegram from her son, Corp. Harry Tepler, who is a member of the ammunition train, stating that he had landed. This organization, of which Lieut. Col. Stevenson has been in command since it left Camp Bowie, at Fort Worth, last July, has been overseas for about ten months and participated in several of the most severe battles of the war.

It is expected that the train will return to Camp Bowie to be mustered out. Besides Tepler, there are a number of other El Pasoans in the organization.

Lieut. Col. Stevenson and Seven El Paso Men Land In United States. Newport News, Va., March 18.—Lieut. Col. Stevenson, 614 North Oregon street, has arrived here by train, 111th ammunition train, 3700 Nations avenue, and Pvt. David Merkle, 111th ammunition train, 319 North Oregon street.

Other arrivals were: Battalion supply Sgt. Edw. C. Donahue, 211 West Franklin street; Corp. Joe H. Tepler, 1211 Brown street; battalion Sgt. Maj. Hugh L. Sawyers, 111th ammunition train, Palms Court, Wagner Boulevard, Houston, 1616 San Antonio street; Pvt. David Turk, 111th ammunition train, 1560 Mesa avenue; Pvt. John A. Butler, 111th ammunition train, 3700 Nations avenue; and Pvt. David Merkle, 111th ammunition train, 319 North Oregon street.

TO COLLECT MONEY GERMAN OWE FORMER YANK CAPTIVES. Washington, D. C., March 18.—Gen. Pershing has informed the war department that receipts held by repatriated American prisoners of war for money due them from the German government would be presented for payment through the armistice commission.

Persons holding such receipts who have returned to the United States were requested to forward the receipts to the chief quartermaster of the A. E. F. for collection.

FOUR RECRUITS ACCEPTED AT NAVY RECRUIT STATION. Four recruits were accepted at the naval recruiting station Wednesday morning, and will be sent to San Francisco for training. They are: Thos. Padilla, of San Marcial, N. M.; Mack Irish Wilson, of Edmond, Okla.; Henry Brown, of Safford, Ariz., and John Whiston Carter, of Yale, Tenn. All these boys entered the navy as apprentices seamen. John W. Carter is but 17 years old.

TRIALS BEGIN AT FT. BLISS ON DESERTION CHARGES. The trials of several soldiers charged with desertion began this week at Ft. Bliss. Some of the men surrendered to the authorities at Juarez after crossing the border into Mexico, and were later sent back to this country.

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War Veterans Elect Officers And Organize

Plans Made To Include Every Returning Soldier and Sailor As Member.

Officers were elected and a constitution and set of bylaws for the government of the association were adopted at an enthusiastic meeting of the World War Veterans association held Tuesday night in Kendrick hall. Plans were also made for the inauguration of a membership drive for the purpose of making every returned soldier, sailor and marine a member of the association, and with this end in view everyone present at the meeting was requested to bring as many returned veterans as possible to the next meeting on April 15, at Kendrick hall.

Mr. Burges President. Maj. R. P. Burges, of the 1st Infantry, was elected president of the association, and Maj. T. J. Blockman, county physician, was elected vice president. L. M. Rutherford was elected secretary, while the following board of governors was chosen: Dr. E. D. Strong, Dr. Paul Gallagher, Martin Davis, Warren D. Small, Paul G. Nafe, J. R. Worthington, H. D. Slater.

The committee on membership will consist of the following: Caldwell, F. B. Fletcher, Eugene Darbyshire, David Mulochy and Dr. John Hardy. The remaining committees of the association will be appointed by the board of governors.

Committee Makes Report. Roy C. March, of St. Clement's church, opened the meeting with a brief address outlining the proposed work of the association. Rev. Mr. Johnson then introduced Paul G. Nafe, of the committee appointed to draw a constitution and bylaws for the association. The constitution and bylaws, Mr. Nafe explained, were assembled for the approval of the association and could be changed on motion of the members. With the exception of a few slight changes, they were adopted unanimously by the veterans.

The primary purpose of the association, which is organized along the lines of similar organizations in practically every city in the country, is to combat the red flag of Bolshevism and any organization opposed to the government.

All members of the association are now and shall remain 100 percent American, everything they do or say, according to the preamble, and the association will in every way endeavor to help the returned soldier, sailor or marine in the country.

Members of the country and find the place which he is fitted to fill.

27th Aero Squadron Has Claim Of 55 Victories; Texas Man Is Decorated. New York, March 18.—The 27th aero squadron, which arrived today claims to have downed 55 enemy machines. The pilots flew nine times over the front, and reported that 40 percent of its active flying men were casualties. Capt. Alfred W. Jones, of Texas, commanding the 1st pursuit group of the squadron, returned with the D. S. C. and the French war cross.

He reported that he was related to his credit and saw 15 months of active flying duty at the front.

The 11th aero squadron has been flying over the front since the 1st of February. St. Michel and Argonne sectors. It was attached for some time to the French army. The squadron has had 18 casualties.

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1919 Easter Silk Sale Starts Monday, March 31st.

Soldiers Who Deserted To Join the Allies Are Urged Now to Surrender

A communication from the war department was received Wednesday at district military headquarters, relating to the status of deserters who left the army to join the forces of one of the belligerent nations. It was stated prior to the entrance of the United States into the war. These men are classified as deserters, the circular stated, and should surrender themselves to the military authorities on their return to this country.

While no leniency or general amnesty is promised as a matter of right, an investigation will be made to determine whether such men as have had clean records heretofore and voluntarily surrendered themselves should not be restored to duty without trial.

At all the soldier must surrender himself on his return to this country. If restored, the soldier will serve out his full term of original enlistment, the communication says. Soldiers who deserted subsequently to the declaration of war against Germany are held not to be entitled to any consideration because of having joined the forces of a belligerent against Germany.

LIEUT. McQUEEN RETURNS. Lieut. and Mrs. Ernest W. McQueen arrived in El Paso Monday from Camp McClellan, at Annapolis, Md., and will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Glover, 2112 Tremont street, the parents of Mrs. McQueen. Lieut. McQueen was formerly attached to the 64th Infantry at Fort Bliss, whence he was sent to the training camp at Leon Springs.

42ND TO SAIL SOON. Washington, D. C., March 18.—The 42nd Division (Central Postal Directory) from Brest between March 18 and April 19, the war department was informed today by Gen. Pershing, The 14th division lands at New York.

BRITAIN READY TO FURNISH 174,000 TONS FOOD TO FOE

Paris, France, March 18.—The British government has indicated that immediately upon the transfer of German merchant shipping to the allies, it will be able to deliver the following quantities of foodstuffs to Germany, the first being in tons: Corn, 300,000; condensed milk, 1,000,000; vegetable oils, 20,000; margarine, 2,000,000; rice, 25,000; rye, 10,000; beans, 10,000; oatmeal, 10,000; barley or rye flour, 10,000; and 10,000 dropings. This makes a total of 174,000.

The French government is ready to furnish raw materials, which will produce 15,000 tons of palm oil, and the United States can deliver from stocks in Europe 10,000 tons of cereals and flour. Payment for the food will be made by the Germans in gold or equivalent securities.

25 TO BE DISCHARGED. A detachment of 25 men and two officers from overseas left Camp McClellan, N. J., on March 18 en route to Camp Biene, for discharge. The men are scheduled to arrive here Friday.

In ten hours, if necessary—a Swastika tailored suit for \$15. See page 13—Adv.

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91st Division Men To Return From Overseas

Washington, D. C., March 18.—Assignment of practically all units of the 91st division and several organizations of the fifth army corps for early convey was announced today by the war department. The 91st division is composed of men from Washington, Oregon, California, Alaska, Idaho, Nevada, Montana, Wyoming and Utah.

FOE TO PUT 450,000,000 FRANCS IN BRUSSELS BANK. Brussels, Belgium, March 18.—In accordance with an agreement, which has been reached, the German government has contracted to deposit 450,000,000 francs in gold in the Brussels national bank. There will be two payments: one of 15,000,000 francs within four days, and the other, which will be 435,000,000 francs, will be made within ten days.

The deposits mentioned in the foregoing dispatch are presumably to be made in connection with the agreement recently reached at the allied conference with the Germans at Brussels for the provisioning of Germany in connection with the shipping arrangements.

CAPT. REGINALD E. TAYLOR COMMITTED SUICIDE WITH GAS. New York, March 18.—Capt. Reginald E. Taylor, chief of personnel of the gas staff, chemical division, U. S. A., with headquarters here, committed suicide here today by inhaling gas.

CROWDER FLIES TO CUBA. Havana, Cuba, March 18.—Maj. Gen. Enoch H. Crowder, judge advocate general of the American army, who had been invited to Cuba by the government to revise the election laws, arrived here from Key West Tuesday afternoon by hydroplane.

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